

DYNAMIC HTTP LOAD BALANCING METHOD AND APPARATUSAbstract of the Invention

The invention is a method and apparatus for facilitating load balancing in a server farm. In accordance with the invention, all of the information about each server necessary for a load balancing program to define and execute a load balancing algorithm is stored at a predetermined URL or each server. The load balancer can query the predefined URL, which returns the necessary information. The load balancer then dynamically configures the load balancing algorithm in accordance with the returned information.